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## CHAPTER 496

## The White Cane Act

**1.** In this Act,Interpre-  
tation

(a) "blind person" means a person,

(i) who is registered as blind with The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, or

(ii) who is in receipt of an allowance under *The Blind Persons' Allowances Act* or an allowance as a blind person under *The Family Benefits Act*; R.S.O. 1960, c. 35  
R.S.O. 1970, c. 157

(b) "white cane" means a cane or walking-stick the major part of which is white. R.S.O. 1960, c. 430, s. 1.

**2.** No person, other than a blind person, shall carry or use a white cane in any public place, public thoroughfare or public conveyance. R.S.O. 1960, c. 430, s. 2.

Restriction  
on use of  
white cane

**3.** Every person who contravenes section 2 is guilty of an offence and on summary conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$25. R.S.O. 1960, c. 430, s. 3.

Offence

**4.—(1)** This Act does not apply to any person who is not a resident of Ontario.

Application  
of Act

(2) Where in any prosecution the person charged with a contravention of this Act alleges that he is not a resident of Ontario, the burden of proving the allegation is upon him. R.S.O. 1960, c. 430, s. 4.

Burden  
of proof

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